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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-6 (canceled).

Claim 7 (previously presented): A method for expressing exogenous nucleic acids in myeloid-committed stem cells comprising:

a) obtaining myeloid-committed stem cells from spleen; and
b) contacting said cells with a retroviral vector containing at least one nucleic acid encoding a myeloid specific protein, under conditions whereby said vector enters cells and expresses a protein encoded by said at least one nucleic acid.

Claim 8 (original): A method as claimed in claim 7, wherein said at least one nucleic acid encoding a myeloid specific protein is operably linked to a myeloid cell specific promoter.

Claims 9-19 (canceled).

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